

**ACTIVITY:** Swimming

**CASE:** GSAF 2003.12.26

**DATE:** Friday December 26, 2003

**LOCATION:** The incident took place in the Atlantic Ocean at Miami, Dade County, Florida, USA.

25.8°N, 80.3°W



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**NAME:** Richard Hansell

**DESCRIPTION:** The swimmer is a 28-year-old male, a British tourist from Totnes, South Devon. He was on holiday in Miami with his fiancée, 24-year-old Kerrie Fraser, of Kingsbridge.

### BACKGROUND

**MOON PHASE:** New Moon, December 23, 2003; First Quarter, December 30, 2003.

**DISTANCE FROM SHORE:** 50 yards

**NARRATIVE:** Richard Hansell felt something brush against his leg while swimming in the sea off Miami. He swam to the shore and realized he had a minor wound.

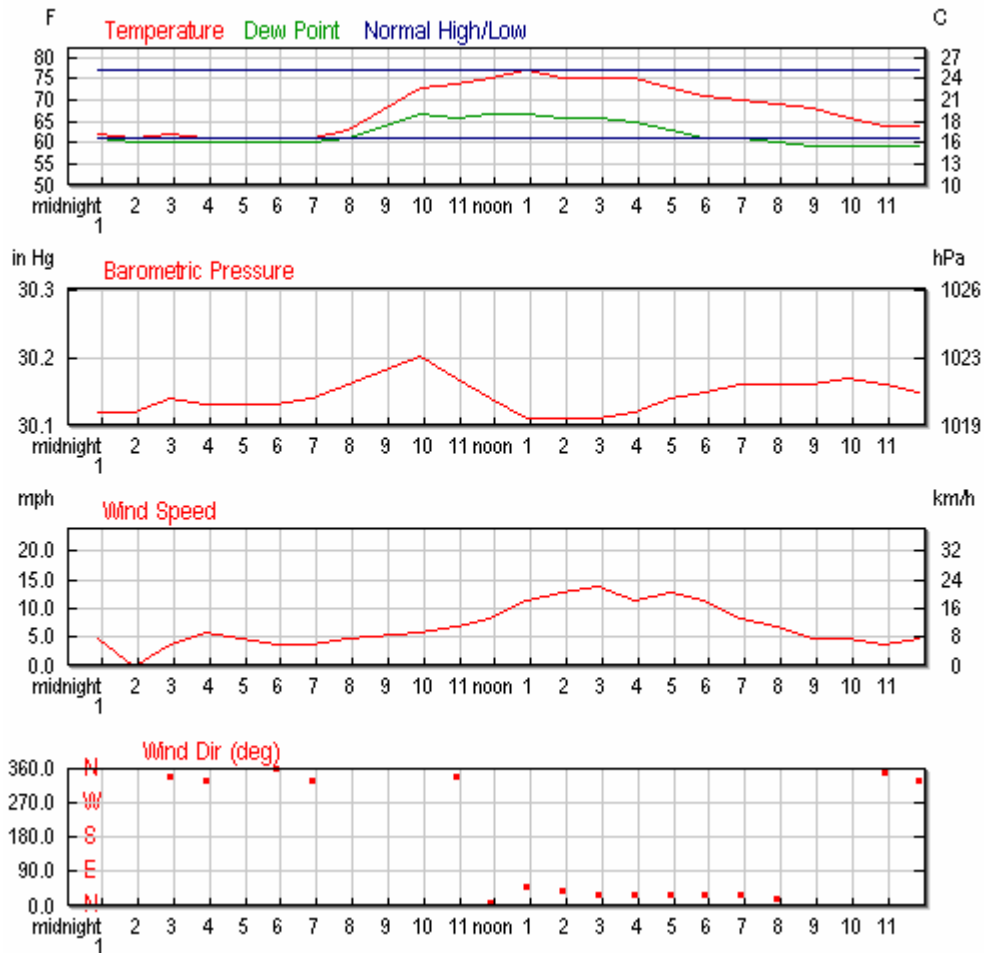
**INJURY:** It was reported that he sustained a large gash and teeth marks in his knee. However, the injury was most likely superficial because he was able to go swimming next day.

**FIRST AID / TREATMENT:** Kerrie Fraser gave him first-aid on the beach.

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Weather at Miami, Florida, on December 26, 2003